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## REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATON ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.137(b)

Applicants received a Notice of Allowance dated July 26, 2005 in connection with the above-referenced application. Applicants promptly paid the issue fee on August 29, 2005 but subsequently withdrew the application from issue on February 8, 2006. Applicants then received another Notice of Allowance dated February 27, 2006. As the issue fee had already been paid, Applicants believed that no further action was required on their part. Accordingly, they inadvertently failed to submit the issue fee transmittal in response to the February 27, 2006 Notice of Allowance. Consequently, the application stood abandoned. On June 28,

2006, Applicants filed a Petition for Revival of an Application Abandoned Unintentionally. Attached to this petition was an executed Issue Fee Transmittal Letter. On July 20, 2006, the Patent Office issued a formal Notice of Abandonment indicating that the application is abandoned because Applicants submitted the Issue Fee Transmittal Letter after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee set forth in the Notice of Allowance dated February 27, 2006. As Applicants submitted this Issue Fee Transmittal concurrently with their Petition to Revive as evidenced by the Patent Office's PAIR system and receipt of a return receipt postcard stamped by the United States Patent Office, Applicants believe that the Petition inadvertently was separated from the Issue Fee Transmittal. Accordingly, as both documents appear in the PAIR system, Applicant's respectfully request that the Patent Office process their Petition to Revive without further delay and allow the application proceed to issue.

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